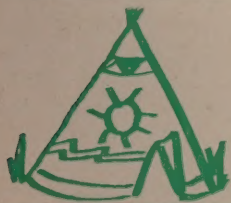
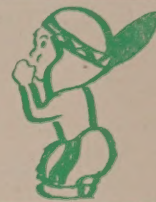


MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL



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Pallo, Le Clerc Chosen to Represent School

March 12, 1954 will be known as Student Government Day in the state of Massachusetts. The Senior High elected as their representative Roger Le Clerc. Roger, with other elected students from Massachusetts, will assemble at the State House in Boston on March 12.

A glass bowl will contain names of the representatives. Then names will be drawn for the different positions held in our state.

Every boy will have an assignment and a chance to see how our government works by actually taking over the job of a government official for a day.

This is a wonderful opportunity for any high school student and I only wish more could have the chance that Roger is having.

Congratulations, Roger!

Same Sentiment

WESOLYCH SWIAT! (Polish)
FELICES PASCUAS! (Spanish)
BUON NATALE! (Italian)
GLAD JUL! (Swedish)
JOYEUX NOEL! (French)
NODLAIG DOYASH! (Gaelic)

Millions of voices will make a multitude of sounds the 25th of this month — but they will all express the same glad feeling. Above are just a few of the forms used 'round the world to express MERRY CHRISTMAS!

FLASH!

The Glee Club is finally having the honor of presenting the Christmas assembly. They will present the program in pantomime form, with a background of carol music by the voice class. The Glee Club will end the program by singing three traditional Christmas songs. This year's program promises to be very inspirational.



EDITORIAL

Mark and Red are students in high school. Their special interest is basketball; their ambitions are to be two of the top five players on the high school varsity team.

On the first day of practice and during the following two weeks, Mark and Red were persistent in their efforts to make the starting lineup for the first all-important game of the season. Regular in attendance, they were usually first on, and last off, the floor during practice sessions.

One night the coach announced that the names of the five starting players for the first game would be posted the following day. Many left practice that night hopeful, yet doubtful. Mark and Red left together, not saying much to each other, but both realizing that the other wanted to see his name on that list as much as he did.

The next morning Mark and Red entered the gym and headed toward the bulletin board. A few of the other players were already there, looking at the list and discussing the names on it.

Well, this was the moment. Now they would know whether their efforts had succeeded in securing them a place among the starting five players. Their eyes quickly scanned the list: Micky, Nick, Buddy, Chuck, and Steve. They re-read the list, but they hadn't made a mistake the first time. Their names just weren't posted.

Red turned away quickly and started up the stairs.

"Red," Mark shouted after him, "you're coming to practice tonight anyway, aren't you?"

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On December 1, the members of the Senior class nominated girls who would best represent our high school for the Daughters of the American Revolution's Good Citizenship Award. They were to consider girls who possessed these qualities of character to the highest degree:

Dependability-truthfulness, loyalty, punctuality.

Service-coöperation, courtesy, consideration for others.

Leadership-personality, self-control, ability to assume responsibility.

From the top three elected by the seniors, the faculty then selected Carol Pallo as the girl most worthy of this high award.

Carol's name will be submitted with others in the state to the D.A.R. convention to be held in March. All the girls' names will be in sealed envelopes. One envelope will be picked and the name announced. The girl whose name is drawn will become the Good Citizen for the state of Massachusetts and receive a \$100 U. S. Savings Bond. The National Society will provide a Good Citizenship Pilgrimage Certificate to be awarded to Carol at graduation.

Congratulations and good luck, Carol!

Origin of "Xmas"

"Xmas," thus spelled as an abbreviation for Christmas, originated in the fact that the Greek letter "chi" was written as X. This letter was also the initial of the name Christos. Some persons identify the X as representing the cross.

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Help Fight TB



Buy Christmas Seals

EDITORIAL (Continued from Page One)

"I don't know," Red replied, as he continued up the stairs. "If I find time I might come."

Well, Red didn't seem to find much time for basketball practice after that, but Mark continued in his consistent efforts to make the top five.

The team had an unbeaten record of nine wins and no losses going into the latter half of the schedule, but neither Mark nor Red had seen much active duty. It wasn't that they didn't have the talent for this sport, but Micky, Buddy, Nick, Chuck, and Steve had made an unbeatable combination and consequently were kept as the top five players.

Then the night of the big game came. All the players had reported in except Buddy, one of the top five the coach had been playing most of the season.

The phone rang just then, and someone ran to answer it. Returning with a solemn look, he told the coach that Buddy had slipped on an icy step and his dad was taking him to the hospital because he thought Buddy's ankle was broken.

It was now 10 minutes before the varsity game was to start and the coach had to decide who the fifth player would be. He studied the rest of the players on his team, then narrowed his choice down to two — Red and Mark.

Both of these boys were of equal ability, but while Red had been careless in his attendance for practice sessions, Mark had been consistent. Mark knew the plays the unbeaten combination was likely to use, and he knew them well.

"Mark," the coach shouted. "Hustle out there. You're starting tonight!"

That was all there was to it. Mark started and played most of the game, and when the team left the floor that night their record remained unbeaten. Everyone knew that they would be seeing more of Mark in the future.

So Red learned, but the hard way. Mark had realized that the strength of a team is based on its reserves.

What Do You Know About Tuberculosis?

1. What causes tuberculosis?
2. Is it possible to "catch" tuberculosis?
3. Can you inherit tuberculosis from your parents?
4. Can you have tuberculosis without feeling sick?
5. How can the doctor tell whether or not you have tuberculosis?
6. Can tuberculosis be cured?
7. Why is the tuberculosis hospital the best place to go if you have tuberculosis?

NOW . . . see page 6 for answers.

A.H.S. Extends Welcome

Some of the old timers around AHS can well remember the outstanding basketball player that won the game with West Side by a basket shot the length of the floor. This star was none other than our new superintendent of schools, Mr. George L. Reynolds.

Mr. Reynolds, class of '28, was not only an outstanding player in football, basketball, and baseball, but was also a member of the Pro Merito Society.

After graduating from Agawam High, Mr. Reynolds attended Amherst College, where he was also an honor student as well as winning letters in basketball and baseball.

Upon receiving his teaching degree he returned to Agawam to teach before moving on to Suffield High and later to Springfield Tech.

Fashion-ating News

Last month's column was devoted entirely to the girls, this month we'll discuss what the boys are wearing.

Many boys here dress "Joe College", that is, the white bucks and gray flannels. Another popular outfit is the pegged pants and suede shoes. The majority of boys at Agawam always look neat. One word of warning to the girls, don't judge a boy by the clothes he wears. If he wears pegs and suedes, that does not mean he's a dangerous character, or if he wears white bucks, that doesn't mean he's a square. It's been proven that you cannot judge a person's character by what he wears.

For outer clothing, many boys are wearing suede or leather jackets. Colors that seem most popular are blue, brown, and black. A few boys are still sporting their stunning Peanut Bowl jackets.

Camel hair coats for the girls are going over big this year at Agawam. They come in a variety of colors — red, navy, natural, gray, or pink. A plaid scarf of matching colors will blend in beautifully.

A girl's wardrobe isn't complete if she doesn't have one of those stunning wide leather belts. They come in all colors and they really complete a blouse and skirt outfit.

Something new this year are those white pom-poms to tie around the neck. Many girls are wearing them and they really look cute. That's all the scoops on the fashion world for this month.

History of The Mirror

The Agawam Mirror has long been one of our big and better parts of our school life. Besides giving us our own personal high school news, it provides students who are interested in journalism a chance to practice before going to college. Our Mirror started out in the form of a book in 1925, and stayed in that form until 1946. While in the book form it was published 1-4 times in a school year. In 1946 they changed the Mirror to the form in which we receive it each month.

The first issue of the Mirror was published in 1925, with Margery Leonard as first editor. Miss Nelle Button was the first faculty advisor. The first edition contained short editorials, short stories, athletic news, alumni, jokes, exchanges, Junior High and Senior High news. As you can see there wasn't much difference from our present Mirror.

Miss Button, Miss Andrews, Miss Katherine Phealon, Miss Ruth Dickerman, Mrs. Dorothea Nardi and Mrs. Marion Gleason have acted as faculty advisors of the Mirror since its beginning.

Among the numerous reporters on the paper have been: Mr. George Reynolds, Supt. of Schools, and Miss Durkan, a well-known member of our present faculty.

Our Movie Cycle

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From Here to Eternity — freshmen to seniors

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All I Desire — no tests

No Escape — from homework

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Scared Stiff — unsatisfactory slips sent home

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Red Cross News

The Junior Red Cross officers for this year are as follows: President, Donaldine Roos; vice-president, Amber Wolcott; secretary, Virginia Pisano and treasurer, Joyce Marieb. Progress is steadily being made. Mrs. Kelly's class has already sent two batches of cookies to Westover Hospital.

Janet Caserio and Linda Pickard attended a Junior Council meeting in Springfield on November 16. During the following week the council was attended by Virginia Pisano and Donaldine Roos. The drive for funds has been completed. The amount collected was over \$54.

Red Cross assemblies were held for both Junior and Senior High. Two Red Cross pictures were shown and Donaldine Roos spoke about the Fund Drive at the senior high assembly. Linda Pickard spoke on the same subject at the junior high assembly.

Senior Scoops

The senior class has really started to roll. A class meeting was held December 1, at which time Marilyn Wilson was elected chairman of the class pictures committee. She is being assisted by Adrienne Grasso.

Preparations are being made for the Kid Party which is to be held December 22. Committee chairmen are as follows: Refreshments, Lois Bontempo; entertainment, Ray Saracino; gifts, Barbara Cheney; decorations, Donaldine Roos; invitations, Cecily Danforth; clean-up, Frank Liberatore.

The class play committee has been working hard trying to choose a play that'll be the "best yet." They've sent away for a few plays out of which one will be chosen.

I've just one thing left to say. Seniors—better be careful at the Kid Party!

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Know the Facts — For Your Own Good

You, the students of Agawam High School have an important part to play in the fight against tuberculosis. I don't particularly mean that you should go out and drum up sales for Christmas seals. They're such a marvelous investment in your own health that they sell themselves. No, Christmas seals aren't really your major job.

You have a serious responsibility, though. You can save a lot of lives by telling people about TB—or you can do a lot of harm if your facts aren't correct. These facts are many and varied. Here are just a few—the more frightening ones.

TB kills more people than all other infectious diseases combined—some 65 per cent.

400,000 Americans are estimated to have active TB.

250,000 of these people are likely to be spreading the disease.

115,000 new cases develop each year.

TB costs the American people more than \$350,000,000 every year.

In this country, someone dies of TB every 17 minutes.

Rather ominous sounding? Ghastly? You name the adjective. Almost any fit. Disheartening? Not particularly. Since 1907 the death rate in this country has been reduced by almost 90 per cent. That, comes from education.

Tuberculosis can be cured. More important, it can be prevented. Special medicines, rest, good food, and several special operations which remove damaged parts of the body have helped cut down our death rate.

Probably the most important contribution you can make to this fight against TB is to stay healthy. Keep your resistance to the germs up by eating the proper foods and getting lots of rest. Have an X-ray periodically. It costs you nothing, and may save you a lot.

You can also work for better health in your community. Certainly your life and that of your loved ones are worth the trouble of alerting people to the importance of X-ray, and other tests used to discover TB.

Tuberculosis is a dangerous killer. But many of those who died from it, died unnecessarily due to their lack of education in the prevention and discovery of this disease. Don't let yourself be caught unaware. It's worth your life not to.

Christmas

C—is for Christ, who was born on Christmas Day,

H—is for heaven, where angels sing and pray.

R—is for Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer,

I—is for the icicle, which hangs like a spear;

S—is for the songs, which we sing out with glee,

T—is indeed for your Christmas tree,

M—is for the manger, where Christ first lay,

A—is for the angels, who came to earth to pray;

S—is for Santa, whom no one should fear—

Saying, "Merry Christmas To All and Happy New Year."

by David Yeakel '57

Agawam Indian Says:

A moment of thinking is worth an hour of words.

We have two ears but only one mouth—to listen more and talk less.

Teacher, you taught the law but have you kept it?

All fools are not dead yet.

He who seeks revenge must be on his guard.

He will have true glory who despised glory.

The lazy man's crown is not made with merit and fame.

Teacher: Give three collective nouns.

Student: Flypaper, wastepaper, basket and vacuum cleaner.

Ode to a Code In Me Node

Yesterday the weather man he said it would not rain,

He said it would be fair and warm, and the next day the same,

But cominck home from school it pour, I never get so wet,

It was so cold it could a snowed, it could a snowed, I bet.

So now I set here wid me feet's a-soaking' in hod water,

I take w dozen pills, but me headaks she still boder,

And I tink what I will do whenever I get good,

I've takin jest enough from him which I kin ever stood!

by A. Ker Choo

Father: "What are your school marks this month, son?"

Son: "Under water, Dad."

Father: "What do you mean?"

Son: "Below 'C' level."



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Teachers' New Year's Resolutions

Miss Moggio: I resolve to cultivate new interests, acquire new friends, and visit new places.

Miss Durkan: I resolve to collect all homework papers the day they are due.

Mr. Holmes: I resolve not to turn my back on the class until the rubber-band-shooting season is over.

Mr. Kistner: I resolve to beat West Side in basketball.

Mr. Morse: I resolve to assign more homework in all my classes.

Mrs. Gleason: I resolve to give anyone a detention who calls me Miss Houghton instead of Mrs. Gleason.

Mr. Leonardi: I resolve to find some two hundred pound linemen.

Mr. Roseman: I resolve to do my homework once a week.

Mr. Crotty: I resolve to give up smoking cigars to save some money. I'm getting Scotch.

Mr. Corcoran: I resolve to root only for Agawam whenever we play Westfield in athletics.

Mrs. Sears: I resolve to learn to type. It's something I've always wanted to do and always put off doing until next year.

Mr. Baker: I resolve to stop my barking at the students.

Miss Connelly: I resolve to always remember that I was once a teenager.

Miss Hastings: I resolve to better my golf score by 10 strokes.

Mr. Skolnick: I resolve to give harder tests next year.

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WINTER INTERLUDE

By Phillip Cardone

It was a cold winter night and the pond was frozen solid. The ice was glazed and glistening like the shield of a medieval knight. The first snow had not yet fallen to mar the flawless finish of the mirrored lake. A pale silver moon shone in a diamond studded sky. Moonlight shining through the silhouetted trees cast weird shadows on the ice. The network of shadows, resembling medieval insignia, completed the illusion of a huge shield.

The light, frost-tinted air nipped the cheeks of the skaters, turning them the color of holly berries. The dancing, crackling flames of the bonfire lit up the flushed faces of the skaters and made their eyes deep velvet pools. With the leaping flames and the merry laughing voices of the skaters, the silent, glistening shield seemed to come to life. Then, with one great booming noise, the surface of the great shield broke. One large crack appeared and then another, as often happens on a very cold night.

Suddenly, without any warning, a brisk wind started the dried, dead leaves to talking. A black shadow blotted out the moon, and it seemed as if nature were foretelling things to come. The wind made the flames of the bonfire grow higher and higher, sending red hot arrows over the now battle-scarred shield.

The shadows in the sky grew darker and more numerous. They began turning the diamonds into a coal field—black and forlorn. The silvery moon fought desperately to gather her gleaming allies and between them to stave off the attack. By now the wind had increased and the shadows had grown larger; with one last fierce sweep they completely banished the moon and her friends from the sky.

Then, like out of fairy land, there was a lull in the wind; and down, down, ever so majestically, came the first snow flakes. It was a breath-taking moment for the skaters. The quietness of the moment and the softly falling snow seemed almost too fantastic to be true; but, like all good things, it soon had to come to an end. The wind came howling through the trees and it swirled the falling snow into their faces. It seemed to laugh at them for thinking that such a moment could last, and then the wind and the snow started coming in earnest. In less than three hours the once glazed shield had lost its mirrored beauty—a beauty which it would not regain until the following year.

Klub Kapers

F. T. A.

The F.T.A. planned a Christmas tea on December 13 to which groups from Ludlow, West Springfield and Classical High schools were invited.

Miss McCormick, as head of the F.T.A. in Mass. spoke and a few of the girls in the club told of the activities of their club. They also, sang Christmas carols.

From the two noon movies the FUTURE TEACHERS made enough money to clothe two Korean school teachers.

Lately two or three F.T.A.'s at a time have been visiting the Benjamin Phelps Elementary School.

I. R. C.

At the last November I.R.C. meeting Elliot Blackburn and Elaine Jones spoke on Spain. A very interesting discussion period followed.

On December 3 Miss Vivian Little spoke and showed slides depicting last year, which she spent teaching in Turkey. She was an excellent speaker and was enjoyed by all.

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Their annual Christmas party was held on December 16 with Marjory Morton and Joyce Minney in charge.

Tri-Hi-Y

On December 8 Miss Hayes gave an interesting talk to the Tri-Hi-Y girls on her experiences in the Navy this summer.

Their Christmas party was held on December 21.

Ski Club

The newly organized Ski Club held its first meeting and elected Craig McEwan, president; Theresa Morassi, program chairman; and Richard Stahle, treasurer.

Biology Club

On December 7, Mr. Langlois reorganized the Biology Club. The purposes of the club are to learn more about living things, to become better prepared for higher education, and to get more fun out of life. They plan to achieve these goals by having members report on interesting animals and plants, by movies, slides and speakers, by field trips, book reviews and by their individual or group projects.

Personality Club

The Personality Club had its Christmas party on December 18. Janet Thorpe and Harriet Shea were in charge.

Did you know that basketball was devised because of the need of an indoor sport? It was first played using a round football and a peach basket, and a team had up to 50 players on it.

F. F. A. News

Agawam, Dec. 4—William Munsell placed first in the annual F.F.A. public speaking contest during the assembly competition. Bill was one of the eight presenting original topics. His subject was Bacteria Warfare—What Are We Farmers Doing to Prevent It?

The assembly was also featured by the presentation of a gold plaque to the Agawam Chapter by the New England Livestock Conservation Inc. for having the most outstanding project in New England in livestock conservation.

Awards Presented

Awards presented to members of the chapter for outstanding accomplishment during the past year were as follows: Best scholarship plaque, Ralph D'Amato, who received it for the third consecutive year. His scholastic average for the year was 85.20 per cent.

Charles Granger was awarded the plaque for the most outstanding individual project for the year. He raised more than 12 acres of vegetables during the year.

The Star Chapter Farmer award was given to James Reardon, president of the Chapter, for the best all around development in scholastic marks, individual projects and leadership accomplishment. He had an average of 83.75 per cent, owns a registered Ayrshire herd of nine cows and has demonstrated leadership in both chapter and individual activities.

Bronze medal awards were presented Clyde Light for star farm machinery accomplishment; James Reardon, best dairy herd and Avon Perkins for best home improvement program.

The judges for the contest and for the project award was Charles Chunglo, agriculturist for the Western Massachusetts Electric Co.

Freshman News

The freshmen class has recently selected their class officers. Everyone is sure that they will fill their positions with the best of their ability. They are as follows: Gerald O'Keefe, president; Patricia Arnold, vice-president; Anna Marie Demichele, secretary; and John Phillips, treasurer.

New Members of the Freshmen Class

David Wright arrived for his first day in Agawam High, on November 23. He formerly lived in East Long-

meadow and went to the Birchland Park School. Raising poultry is his hobby, so he is therefore taking the agriculture course. He likes Agawam High because of its agricultural facilities and because the students are all so friendly.

Mary Ann Grasseti previously lived in Springfield and went to Cathedral. Her first day in Agawam High was on November 30. Her interest and hobby is rolled into one—photography. She is taking the college course. When asked what she thought of Agawam, her reply was that she liked it because everybody is so friendly.

OUR SONG TITLES

Forever—Phil and Cecily

Crazy Man Crazy—Frank M.

Love Me and Leave Me—Sonny Merk

Hot Tomatoe—Martha G.

Are You Lonesome Tonight—Shirley M.

Oh, Johnny, Hoy You Can Love—John Cardone

You, You, You—Ralph D.

Just One More Chance—Alice and Johnny

I Love You Truly—Jim R. and Sandra K.

Dancing in the Dark—Robert Anderson

Red Hot Blues—Dickie Pisano

Always—Barb Cheney and Gordie Gottsche

Blue Christmas—Pam and Tony

Sleigh Ride—The Cabaret committee

Let It Snow—The Ski Club

The gum-chewing girl
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Hello, hello, all my anxious friends. What have you been up to lately? Its seems as though its been rather quiet around here, but we have been able to pick up a few murmurs as they fly through the halls. Here we go!

Mac . . . who taught you how to play cards? Ralph C. . . want to swap rings with her? Virg. P. . . do you make a habit of falling off chairs? Which twin has Terry W.? Roger and Jimmy . . . do they fit? Vernon S. . . why not Shirley S.? Leon H. . . is it a secret? . . . I mean those phone calls? Who went with whom and where after the Cabaret? Jackie Phillips . . . found Norma yet? Ray S. . . "our new dishwasher!" Stenography II class . . . ohhhh! Shirley W. . . when did you get Stanley's ring? Well, J. Brown, which is it? John C. . . "Here in My Heart". Judy P. . . "Frosty, the Snowman". We hear that Dick C. was quoted as saying, "no girl will wear my class ring," —really! Lucia (alias) Lucifer! Dick P. . . what type do you like? Shirley M. . . who saw him first, Terry or you? Carol P. . . "Bruta Facia!" Peggy . . . he's real cute! Cynthia A. . . made up your mind finally? Phyllis Stone . . . engaged to be engaged? Janet K. . . have a good time? Vir-

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ginia S. . . from Trade? Joan D. . . weren't you embarrassed by those remarks. Mary Farina . . . who's that certain senior? After making a final inspection we arrived at the conclusion that room 21 is the noisiest room during the lunch period, but that it's not entirely room 21 occupants making all the noise! Nancy H. and Mary P. . . do basketball and knitting go together? Barbara M. . . has he collected yet?

Why for do we have no chatter? Can't you think of what's the matter?

Is you weary, tired, or blue?

Can't you think of things to do?

Get-a-go'in', don't delay

Send more chatter out our way!

Small Talk in The Junior High

Well here we are down in the Junior High this month. Lots of news to catch up on—so here's the latest.

Where does B. Fuller go during her 3 minutes before English Class? E. Mueller and S. Mercier—something new? Judy and Thelma, who are you keeping in SUSPENSE? C. Hauser . . . what's with the boy across the aisle from you? Janet H. . . are you mad at R. Knight? Judy M. and Gay R. . . don't cry over spilt milk! J. Druzba—those bolony sandwiches! What happened to Kent B. in geography? Tinker . . . dig those crazy music periods! S. Miller, you don't know the half of it! Howie L. . . "Information giver!" Timmy B. . . do you think Pauline R. is cute? Betty M. . . so you changed your mind? Joy M. . . who's that special boy in Westfield? Emilio S. . . Millie? Bobby T. . . who's who in room 2? Room 11 girls—why so many pen pals from Scotland?

That's the end for this month, but we'll be back. Have a wonderful holiday vacation everyone, but be careful of the things you do or say—'cause we'll be around when you least expect us.

Commercial News

The Shorthand II class has acquired some speedy stenographers. Carol Pallo has passed the 100 and 120 words a minute tests. That is some speed! Donaldine Roos has passed the 80 words a minute test. These girls will receive certificates from the Gregg Publishing Company. The tests are given once a month by the shorthand advisor, Mrs. Coleman.

The Shorthand I class hasn't started their tests yet but they will shortly.



When asked what they would like to find in their stockings on Christmas morning, here's what some students replied.

Carol Pallo—"The Nut Cracker Sweet"

Ronald LaFleur—an older woman!

Harriet Shea—a letter from Skippy

Buzzy Williams—round trip ticket to Florida

Gerry Merk—A beany—just like the Beany she's got

Earl Freniere—a nice cute blonde Sonny Merk—a clock to remind him of the time!

Virginia Scola—that certain boy Andy Hallock—a girl

James Hauser—something to shoot myself with

Elizabeth Langlois—someone tall Cecily Danforth—a saint bernard Susan Yeakel—an answer to my little prayer

Bobby McGuire and Stan Drzyzga—two reliable girls!

Ricky Stahle—a driver's license Charlie Grasso—one certain girl to say "yes"

Butchie Saracino—Cadillac convertible

Amber Wolcott—a couple hundred bucks

Jerry O'Keefe—someone who will say yes without blushing

Ralph D'Amato—something "petite"

Barbara Meissner—a ticket to Worcester

Gerry Casiello—an invention to get rid of little sisters

Linda Knighton—a one way ticket to Aldenville

Craig McEwan—a maid

Doris Grant—tube of Revelon non-smear lipstick

Roger Phaneuf—a steady girl Sara Jo Cameron—a cruise on U.S.S. Neckes

Chet Krygowski—Marilyn Monroe!

Carol Arnold—a boy to meet all my requirements

Geary Hinshaw—more time off for my nurse

Tommy O'Keefe—a girl I approve of

Raymond Saracino—a non-French girl, namely "Marilyn Monroe!"

Mavis White—Billy boy Judy Brown—a tube of Hazel Bishop lipstick

Chester Nicora—a nice blonde about 5' 11"

Eleanor D. Amato—a steady beau

Terry Cardone—a scheduled night to see him "ALONE"

Irene West—a one way ticket to Boston

Marion Templeman—Tab Hunter

We hope that Santa will be kind to the students of A.H.S. and kindly fill their small requests!

"Dragnet" Rates High

A recent TV poll taken in the Junior and Senior High resulted as follows:

Junior High: 1. Dragnet; 2. I Love Lucy; 3. Red Buttons.

Senior High: 1. Dragnet; 2. I Love Lucy; 3. Red Buttons; 4. Toast of the Town; 5. My Little Margie; 6. Arthur Godfrey; 7. Big Story; 8. Ford Theatre; 9. Hit Parade; 10. Suspense.

Other individual choices ranged from the fights to Howdy Doody and from news programs to soap operas, but the majority placed detective and comedy shows first.

Agawam Cinema

1. Lovely to Look At—an all A report card

2. By the Light of the Silvery Moon—conscientious student

3. Roman Holiday—test called off in Latin

4. Scared Stiff—full period test

5. Gentlemen Prefer Blondes—rather than homework

6. Stalag 17—detention

7. It Happens Every Thursday—nothing

8. The Vanquished—one late for class

9. The Cry of the Hunted—the "hooky" team

10. The War of the Worlds—West Side vs Agawam

11. The Hitchhiker—too late for the school bus

12. The Glory Brigade—the football team

13. A Slight Case of Larceny—looking over the other fellow's shoulder

14. The Beast From Twenty Thousand Fathoms—a "U"

15. It Came From Outer Space—report card

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FOOTBALL WINDUP

Well, another football season has ended in Agawam. It was another sensational year, marked with thrills and surprises throughout.

After having an opener with Westfield cancelled, Agawam started its active season with Holyoke on October 3. The game was played at Memorial Field with Agawam winning 18-6. This victory surprised many people. The defeat was Holyoke's 5th straight in Agawam. Let's keep up this tradition in the future.

The following week Worcester Classical was Agawam's foe. They proved to be no problem, as the Brownies waltzed to a 34-0 victory.

St. Patrick's was the next opponent at Memorial Field. They were sporting an 11 game winning streak. This was soon spattered, as Agawam scored a convincing 27-6 win.

The Brownies took to the road for the first time, the following week. They journeyed to Greenfield to meet that always strong team. Agawam had to come up with a touchdown and an extra point in the last 4 minutes to pull this one out. The final score was Agawam 7—Greenfield 6. This one was the spine-tingler of the campaign.

After a week's rest the Brownies again took to the road, this time to Turners Falls. On a cold day, Agawam scored an easy 42-0 victory. It proved to be Agawam's easiest win, as the Indians' scrappy, but small team provided little opposition.

West Side provided the opposition the following Saturday. They gave us a fair battle, but just couldn't cope with our power house. Agawam won 34-21.

In the finale, we dropped a tough decision to powerful Chicopee. The ball just didn't bounce the right way. Chicopee got the breaks and won 34-6.

Although 100% credit should be given to Coaches Smith and Leonard, and the players, much praise should be given to the cheerleaders, majorettes, band, students, and townspeople. For without the latter, football that we enjoy so much, could not be played.

Football Scoring For '54

Player	T	EP	T
B. Mercadante	12	3	75
Banville	6	1	37
P. Cardone	1	10	16
J. O'Keefe	2	0	12
J. Cardone	1	1	7
Krygowski	1	1	7
Bruno	1	1	7
Munsell	1	1	6
Pisano	0	1	1
Totals	25	18	168

Sophomore News

FLASH! Another new member in our sophomore class. Boy! is the class of "56" growing. During an interview I found out that the new member is Carolyn Jacques. She is from Worcester, and just loves the friendly students here in Agawam. Her favorite subject is basketball (and she came just in time to see a wonderful basketball team). She also intends to take up girls' sports next year. Her homeroom is room 20.

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Seniors Champs in Girls Volleyball

The games of the season were as follows: Sophomores beat the Freshmen two games to one; Seniors beat Seniors beat the Sophomores two games to none.

The girls on the championship team are as follows: D. Luccardi, C. Danforth, J. Maule, J. Mercier, S. Kelley, E. Langlois, T. Morassi, L. Lindblad, F. Willard, R. Dickinson, J. Slate, M. Wilson, S. Mutti, M. Pond, N. Hallock, B. Cheney and L. Bontempo.

This is the fourth consecutive year the Seniors have won their numerals in girls' sports.

A song writer who prefers to remain anonymous sat down at his Remington one summer afternoon and banged out the following epic:
My yTpust is one her vacation,
My trpist's swau fpr a week,
My trpudt us in her vacarion
Wgile these damb keys play hude
and seej.

What did one casket say to another casket?
Is that you, coffin?

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Brownies Lose to Chicopee, 34-6

Our "Battlin Brownies" entertained a strong Chicopee High School team in a battle of the undefeated. A crowd of close to 9000 jammed into Memorial Field to witness the big game of the year.

Agawam proved to be a hospitable host to Chicopee, as we fumbled twice in the first quarter to set up 2 of the 3 first quarter scores. Zabek scored twice and Picard once in the first quarter.

Agawam managed to hold their own in the next two periods, but the devastating first period was too much to overcome.

In the fourth period Zabek scored twice more for Chicopee, while a pass from Phil Cardone to brother John gave Agawam its lone touchdown in the last seconds.

Scored by periods:

Chicopee	20	0	0	14	34
Agawam	0	0	0	6	6

Scoring touchdowns: John Cardone, Zabek 4, Picard P.A.T.: Flynn, McLelland, Henault, Kagan.

Answers to Quiz

1. Tuberculosis is caused by a germ.
2. Tuberculosis is "catching".
3. You can't inherit tuberculosis from your parents.
4. You can have tuberculosis without feeling sick.
5. The doctor can tell if you have tuberculosis by X-rays and other tests.
6. Tuberculosis usually can be cured if found early enough and treated properly.
7. The tuberculosis hospital is the best place to go for treatment and to protect others from your germs.

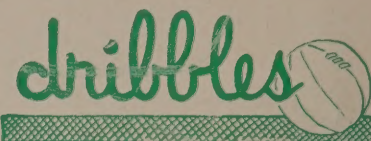
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Basketball Schedule '53-'54

Dec. 11	At Chicopee
15	Spfld. Trade
18	Holyoke
22	At Classical 3:00
Jan. 5	At Ludlow
6	Commerce at Field House
6:30	
8	Easthampton
15	Palmer
19	At Ware
22	West Side
26	At Enfield
29	Ludlow
Feb. 2	At Easthampton
3	Chicopee
9	At Palmer
10	At Spfld. Trade 3:00
12	Ware
16	At West Side
19	Enfield

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